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Environmental Review Process

To submit scoping comments – use this email address: SaltworksComments@RedwoodCity.org

A Notice of Preparation (NOP) has been issued for the proposed Saltworks Project Environmental Impact Report (EIR) by Redwood City's Planning, Housing, and Economic Development Department. Release of the NOP officially begins the public scoping process that will allow the public and agencies to learn more about the many aspects of the proposed project, provide comments, suggest alternatives, suggest technical studies and allow the applicant to provide additional information.

The NOP is required under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and provides a preliminary project description that was included in the application submitted to the Redwood City Planning, Housing, and Economic Development Department by the project applicant in May 2009. The document also includes the location of the project, the most important environmental issues and the probable environmental effects of the project. Click here to view a copy of the NOP.

A series of Scoping Meetings will be held. The purpose of scoping is to help identify the range of alternatives, environmental effects, methods of assessment, and mitigation measures to be analyzed in the EIR. These meetings are intended to provide information about the project and to provide an opportunity for comment on the content of the EIR. The Scoping Meetings are scheduled as follows:

- Scoping Meeting held before the Planning Commission (oral comments) – Tuesday, October 19, 2010 starting at 7 PM.
 Location: Council Chambers, City Hall, 1017 Middlefield Road, Redwood City
- Informational Scoping Meeting focused on Land Use & Housing (written comments only) – Saturday, November 6, 2010 from 9 AM to 1 PM.

Location: Veterans Memorial Senior Center, 1455 Madison Avenue, Redwood City. Meeting Handout.

 Informational Scoping Meeting focused on Water Supply, Wastewater, & Flooding (written comments only) – Tuesday, November 30, 2010 from 6:30 PM to 9 PM. Location: Sandpiper Community Center, 797 Redwood Shores Parkway, Redwood City.

- Informational Scoping Meeting focused on Natural Resources (written comments only) Saturday, February 5, 2011 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Location: Community Activities Building, 1400 Roosevelt Avenue, Redwood City.
- Informational Scoping Meeting focused on Transportation (written comments only) Wednesday, February 23, 2011 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Location: Veterans Memorial Senior Center, 1455 Madison Avenue, Redwood City.

Based on the input the City receives from the community at the first Scoping Meetings, additional informational Scoping Meetings will be held in early 2011.

The City will not make a decision regarding the Saltworks Project application until the environmental review process has been completed and the EIR has been certified.

Please plan on attending these important meetings to help you maximize your input and involvement in the proposal's review process.

- City-sponsored "Understanding the Environmental Review Process" meeting informs public
- City Council, Planning Commission hold informational meetings to explain environmental review process
- Consultant Selected for Environmental Review Process
- Environmental Review Process for Saltworks Proposal Will Provide Facts, Expert Evaluations, and Opportunities for Community Participation.
- Request for Qualifications (RFQ)
- Application Background

Project Updates

As a means of keeping the public informed about the proposal, the City will produce regular <u>Project Updates</u>. The updates will provide details about the review process, tentative timelines for meetings, and information to help the public understand the CEQA process so that they may participate in an informed and effective way.

